

New Bridge News

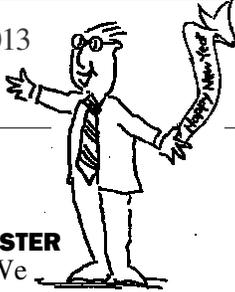
"Bears have Pride!"

A Monthly Newsletter

January 17, 2013

New Bridge Middle School
Dr. Christopher Barnes, Principal

Principal NOTES



SECOND SEMESTER

Happy 2013! We are back to our routines and preparing for the second semester. The second semester officially begins on January 24, 2013. Your child's 2nd quarter report card will be issued on Wednesday, January 30, 2013. I encourage you to maintain open communication with your child's teachers regarding progress.

UNPAID CAFETERIA ACCOUNTS

We are committed to providing students with healthy lunch choices each day. We are currently facing a large unpaid balance list for students who owe money for meals. Please help us by ensuring that your child's account doesn't have an outstanding balance. Manager Griffin sends reminders with students on a weekly basis. Thank you!

GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY

February 1, 2013 is National Children's Dental Access day. On this day, children who don't have dental insurance and have financial need will be able to receive free dental care (cleaning, fillings, tooth extraction, etc.) at local dental offices. If you are interested in this program for your child, please contact Nurse Duane or Mrs. Colley (social worker) as soon as possible.

LOST AND FOUND

All lost and found items are on display in the cafeteria (1/24 & 1/25). Check it out and find your lost items!

Christopher Barnes

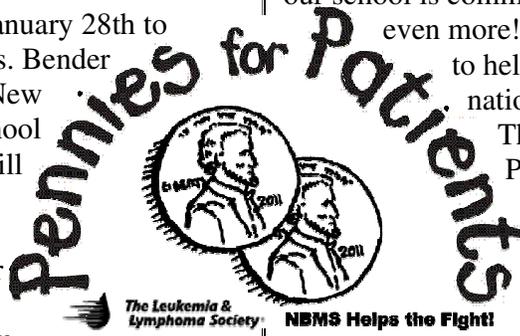
Pennies for Patients

NBMS Helps the Fight!

New Bridge students and staff would like to help in the effort to battle leukemia. From January 28th to February 15th, Mrs. Bender (advisor) and the New Bridge Middle School Student Council will collect pennies (or any other loose change or bills) for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Last year, students in the North Carolina Chapter raised \$574,000 to fight

blood cancer and provide services for patients and their families. This year, our school is committed to help raise even more! If you would like to help, please send donations with your child. The past support for Pennies for Patients from New Bridge has been very helpful. You can donate online at:



[http://nc.sy.11sevent.org/
NewBridgeMiddleSchool](http://nc.sy.11sevent.org/NewBridgeMiddleSchool)

Teacher Workdays

In order to transition from first to second semester, teachers will have workdays on Tuesday, **January 22** and Wednesday, **January 23**. There is no school for students on teacher workdays. We will resume a regular student schedule on Thursday, January 24, 2013.

There are also teacher workdays on February 18, 2013 and March 29, 2013

Dress Down Friday- Jan. 18

For a \$5 donation, students may dress out of uniform. Students must follow the "dress down dress code." Funds will benefit Onslow Ministries & NBMS.

No School for Students

- Jan. 21, 2013**
- Jan. 22, 2013**
- Jan. 23, 2013**



Celebrating Hope

We will be out of school on Jan. 21 as we observe the birthday of Dr. King. We are also out of school on Jan. 22 & 23. We honor his inspirational message.



The MLK Holiday is a celebration of a message and legacy of hope. The holiday is also a commemoration of the timeless values Dr. King taught -- the values of courage, truth, justice, compassion, dignity, humility and service. We commemorate the universal, unconditional love, forgiveness and non-violence that empowered Dr. King's spirit. During the month of February, we will study Dr. King and several other leaders from the African-American community.

I have a dream

Students of the Month

Each month New Bridge Middle School recognizes our "Students of the Month." Students are nominated by each grade level team and the Encore team. Congratulations to our December students!

- 6th- Kamryn Fleming
- 6th- Jared Grappo
- 7th- Julia Phillips
- 7th- Nate Taylor
- 8th- Katelyn Smith
- 8th- Andres Sanchez
- Encore- Kenneth Snell
- Encore- Cole Stevens
- Encore- Victoria Gregg



- 1-18: End of Grading Period
- 1-21: Holiday- No School
- 1-22: Workday- No School
- 1-23: Workday- No School
- 1-24: Basketball HOME vs. DMS
- 1-29: Basketball AWAY @ NWPMS
- 1-30: Student of the Month Luncheon
- 1-30: Report Cards go home
- 1: 30: Chess Club, 3:30 - 4:30
- 1-31: Basketball AWAY @ JCMS
- 2-1: Band Festival, Greenville
- 2-2: Band Festival, Greenville
- 2-5: Basketball HOME vs. SBMS
- 2-5: All county Orchestra - NWP
- 2-7: All county Chorus- JCMS
- 2-8: Cheerleading Competition, RHS
- 2-8: All County Orch- JHS
- 2-9: All County Orch- JHS
- 2-12: Basketball AWAY @ Brewster Middle
- 2-12: CiCi's Pizza Night for NBMS
- 2-13: NAEP Testing
- 2-13: Interim Report
- 2-15: Dress Down Friday
- 2-15: School Dance (hosted by 8th Grade)
- 2-15: All County Chorus- NHS
- 2-16: All County Chorus- NHS

Clubs, Programs & Activities



Relay for Life: NBMS has joined Onslow County's Relay for Life Team. Together we will "Run for the Ribbons" with a school goal of \$1,500. On Jan. 30, the students and NJHS will help "Sock it to Cancer." For a \$1 donation, students can wear crazy, non-uniform socks. On Feb. 20th we will "Tie down Cancer" (for a \$1 donation, students can wear a tie over the uniform). Look for more opportunities to participate in March and April. In addition, students will have an opportunity to participate in the "Kids Walk." Information about "Kids Walk" will be distributed after details are finalized. Onslow's Relay for Life will be held at Northside.

NBMS School Dances

Q: When is the next school dance? Are there any special rules?
A: New Bridge Middle School has a dance open to all grade levels (6-8) on Friday, February 15, 2013. The dance is from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. These are a few reminders about NBMS school dances:

- 1) Students who have been assigned or served after-school detention (ASD), in-school (ISS) or out-of-school suspension (OSS) in the 2 weeks prior to a dance are not eligible to attend (the window for this dance is Feb 4 through Feb 15). Only NBMS students may attend.
- 2) Student dances are over by 5:00 p.m. Students must be picked-up on time. Students not picked-up by 5:15 will not be permitted to attend other dances.
- 3) Students may bring extra clothes for the dance.
- 4) Dancing must be clean and in keeping with school values (no close dancing, no displays of affection, no obscene or vulgar movements).
- 5) Admission is \$3. Students can also buy a soda for \$1 and a slice of pizza for \$1.
- 6) Parent chaperones are welcome... But please call ahead to Mrs. Ben-trup (front office) a day or two beforehand if you plan to help.



Quick Bits...

ClassScape... For the last two weeks, students in the state tested courses have completed ClassScape mid-year assessments. ClassScape is an online assessment system used to determine how well students are mastering the goals and objectives of a given course.

Early Release Reminder

On Feb. 20th, all Onslow Schools will release students early for staff development. NB will release students at **12:20**

PTO... Many thanks goes to the NBMS PTO for supporting teachers through special luncheons and supporting kids through new materials. Our PTO makes a difference at New Bridge Middle School

Spring Musical... NBMS is planning to perform the Broadway Junior Production of *Annie* in May 2013! Auditions will be held in mid-February. Listen to announcements for more details.



CiCi's Family Night

The second Tuesday of each month is New Bridge Middle School's Family Night at CiCi's Pizza. If you and your family identify our school and the homeroom teacher, NBMS will receive a portion of the night's proceeds and the winning homeroom class will receive a pizza party.

Feb. 12th

yearbook
 onsale now
 Feb. 22 is the last day to guarantee a yearbook. They can only be pre-ordered online at: <https://secure.smart-pay.com/>. Use the "Locate your School" link at the bottom of the page.